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September 18, 1987

Mr. Norman Haslem
Mine Superintendent
Ziegler Chemical & Minerals Corporation
Star Route, Little Bonanza
Vernal, Utah 84078

Dear Mr. Haslem:

Re: Ziegler Chemical, Gilsonite Mines Reclamation Plan, M/047/013,
Uintah County, Utah

We appreciated the tour of the gilsonite operation on August 27, 1987.

As discussed, we received an additional supplement to the proposed reclamation plan from the law firm of Nielsen & Senior on February 20, 1987. With this data, we are very close to having the plan completed so that it can be given tentative approval.

The three things we need now are: 1) the corrected base map, 2) a map for 8-A, and 3) a currently signed MR-8 Form.

The base map corrections were to show the mines active on or after July 1, 1977 (instead of July 1, 1972). You stated that you would have these corrections made and send a copy of the map to us. We also discussed that a map of 8-A needs to be added.

On the enclosed MR-8, please check the list of mines and the variances and correct as needed. Then please sign it, have it notarized, and return it to us.

We also discussed that you would go ahead with the reclamation of the Emma 5 mine; therefore, it won't have to be included in this plan.

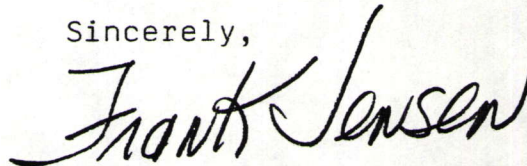
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When we receive the above listed documents, we will issue a Letter of Tentative Approval of the mine plan and publish the Notice of Tentative Approval in the newspaper. Assuming there are no problems to that point, the bond can be calculated and Board of Oil, Gas and Mining approval sought for the plan.

We want to get this plan finalized as soon as practical - if we can help, let us know. If it is possible, please submit the documents by October 15, 1987.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Jensen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Frank R. Jensen
Reclamation Soils Specialist

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Enclosure
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MR FORM 8

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Mine: Ziegler - Gilsonite Mines

File No: M/047/013

Submitted by:

Applicant Zielgler Chemical &
Minerals Corporation

Representative Norman Haslem
Mine Superintendent

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RE: Commitment of Rule M-10

Gentlemen:

I hereby commit the applicant to comply with Rule M-10, "Reclamation Standards" in its entirety, as adopted by the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining on March 22, 1978.

The applicant will achieve the reclamation standards for the following categories as outlined from Rule M-10 on all areas of the land affected by this mine; unless a variance is granted in writing by the Division.

<u>Rule</u>		<u>Category of Commitment</u>
M-10(1)		Land Use
M-10(2)		Public Safety & Welfare
M-10(3)	NA	Impoundments
M-10(4)		Slopes
M-10(5)	NA	Highwalls
M-10(6)		Toxic Materials
M-10(7)		Roads & Pads
M-10(8)		Drainages
M-10(9)		Structures & Equipment
M-10(10)		Shafts & Portals
M-10(11)		Sediment Control
M-10(12)		Revegetation
M-10(13)	NA	Dams
M-10(14)		Soils

* (List of mines attached.)
1210R/59

I believe a variance is justified on a site-specified basis for the following subsections of Rule M-10 for reclamation on this mine and have enclosed as an attachment to this letter a narrative statement setting forth a description of the extent of the variance request and factual reasons for said variance request.

<u>Rule</u>	<u>Category of Variance Request</u> (Narrative Attached)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, having been duly sworn depose and attest that all of the representations contained in the foregoing application are true to the best of my knowledge; that I am authorized to complete and file this application on behalf of the Applicant and this application has been executed as required by law.

Signed: _____

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me the undersigned authority in my said county, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

Notary Public: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

ZIEGLER GILSONITE MINES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Little Bonanza #12	1.51
Little Bonanza #11	1.01
Little Bonanza #3	1.14
Little Bonanza #1	2.11
Little Emma #7	1.10
Cottonwood #1	1.24
Cottonwood #2	.50
Independent #3	1.38
Independent #4	1.41
Independent #5	1.20
8-A	